5.1.2 Sample Line. Heated (sufficient to prevent condensation) stainless steel or Teflon tubing, to transport the sample gas to the moisture removal system.

5.1.3 Sample Transport Lines. Stainless steel or Teflon tubing, to transport the sample from the moisture removal system to the sample pump, sample flow rate control, and sample gas manifold.

5.1.4 Calibration Valve Assembly. A three-way valve assembly, or equivalent, for blocking the sample gas flow and introducing calibration gases to the measurement system at the outlet of the sampling probe when in the calibration mode.

5.1.5 Moisture Removal System. A refrigerator-type condenser or similar device (e.g., permeation dryer), to remove condensate continuously from the sample gas while maintaining minimal contact between the condensate and the sample gas. The moisture removal system is not necessary for analyzers that can measure gas concentrations on a wet basis; for these analyzers, (1) heat the sample line and all interface components up to the inlet of the analyzer sufficiently to prevent condensation, and (2) determine the moisture content and correct the measured gas concentrations to a dry basis using appropriate methods, subject to the approval of the Administrator. The determination of sample moisture content is not necessary for pollutant analyzers that measure concentrations on a wet basis when (1) a wet basis CO_2 analyzer operated according to Method 3A is used to obtain simultaneous measurements, and (2) the pollutant/CO_2 measurements are used to determine emissions in units of the standard.

5.1.6 Particulate Filter. An in-stack or heated (sufficient to prevent water condensation) out-of-stack filter. The filter shall be borosilicate or quartz glass wool, or glass fiber mat. Additional filters at the inlet or outlet of the moisture removal system and inlet of the analyzer may be used to prevent accumulation of particulate material in the measurement system and extend the useful life of the components. All filters shall be fabricated of materials that are nonreactive to the gas being sampled.

5.1.7 Sample Pump. A leak-free pump, to pull the sample gas through the system at a flow rate sufficient to minimize the response time of the measurement system. The pump may be constructed of any material that is nonreactive to the gas being sampled.

5.1.8 Sample Flow Rate Control. A sample flow rate control valve and rotameter, or equivalent, to maintain a constant sampling rate within 10 percent.

(NOTE: The tester may elect to install a back-pressure regulator to maintain the sample gas manifold at a constant pressure in order to protect the analyzer(s) from over-pressurization, and to minimize the need for flow rate adjustments.)

5.1.9 Sample Gas Manifold. A sample gas manifold, to divert a portion of the sample gas stream to the analyzer, and the remainder to the by-pass discharge vent. The sample gas manifold should also include provisions for introducing calibration gases directly to the analyzer. The manifold may be constructed of any material that is nonreactive to the gas being sampled.

5.1.10 Gas Analyzer. A UV or NDIR absorption or fluorescence analyzer, to determine continuously the SO_2 concentration in the sample gas stream. The analyzer shall meet the applicable performance specifications of Section 4. A means of controlling the analyzer flow rate and a device for determining proper sample flow rate (e.g., precision rotameter, pressure gauge downstream of all flow controls, etc.) shall be provided at the analyzer.

(NOTE: Housing the analyzer(s) in a clean, thermally-stable, vibration-free environment will minimize drift in the analyzer calibration.)

5.1.11 Data Recorder. A strip chart recorder, analog computer, or digital recorder, for recording measurement data. The data recorder resolution (i.e., readability) shall be 0.5 percent of span. Alternatively, a digital or analog meter having a resolution of 0.5 percent of span may be used to obtain the analyzer responses and the readings may be recorded manually. If this alternative is used, the readings shall be obtained at equally spaced intervals over the duration of the sampling run. For sampling run durations of less than 1 hour, measurements at 1-minute intervals or a minimum of 30 measurements, whichever is less restrictive, shall be obtained. For sampling run durations greater than 1 hour, measurements at 2-minute intervals or a minimum of 96 measurements, whichever is less restrictive, shall be obtained.

5.2 Method 6 Apparatus and Reagents. The apparatus and reagents described in Method 6, and shown by the schematic of the sampling train in Figure 6C–2, to conduct the interference check.

5.3 SO_2 Calibration Gases. The calibration gases for the gas analyzer shall be SO_2 in N_2 or SO_2 in air. Alternatively, SO_2/CO_2, SO_2/O_2, or $SO_2/CO_2/O_2$ gas mixtures in N_2 may be used. For fluorescence-based analyzers, the O_2 and CO_2 concentrations of the calibration gases as introduced to the analyzer shall be within 1 percent (absolute) O_2 and 1 percent (absolute) CO_2 of the O_2 and Co_2 concentrations of the effluent samples as introduced to the analyzer. Alternatively, for fluorescence-based analyzers, use calibration blends of SO_2 in air and the nomographs provided by the vendor to determine the quenching correction factor (the effluent O_2 and CO_2 concentrations must be known). Use three calibration gases as specified below: